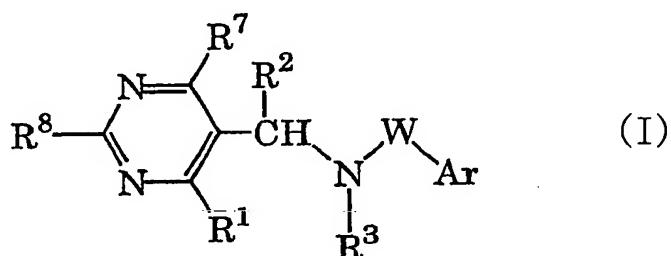


ABSTRACT

Pyrimidine derivatives having excellent herbicidal activities for crop plants and selectivity between crop plants and weeds, are presented. Pyrimidine derivatives
 5 represented by the following formula (I):



wherein R¹ is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, a haloalkyl group or the like; R² is an alkyl group, a phenyl group which may be substituted, or the like; R³ is
 10 a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, an alkynyl group or the like; R⁷ is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an alkyl group or the like; R⁸ is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group or the like, W is a -C(=Q)Z- group or a -SO₂- group; Q is O or S; Z is O, S, a -C(R⁴)R⁵-, a -NR⁶ group or the like;
 15 each of R⁴ and R⁵ is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, an alkoxy group or the like; R⁶ is a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group; and Ar is a phenyl group which may be substituted, a pyridyl group which may be substituted, or the like, and herbicides containing such pyrimidine
 20 derivatives as active ingredients.

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